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## UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION **TRANSMITTAL**

UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)

Attorney Docket No. 36968/18 First Named Inventor James C. Beuingfield

Method and System for Validating Transactions Within a Regional Messaging System

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**APPLICATION ELEMENTS** 

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. X Specification **Total Pages** 41 (preferred arrangement as set forth below)

- Descriptive title of the Invention

- Cross References to Related Applications

- Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D

- Reference to Microfiche Appendix

- Background of the Invention

- Brief Summary of the Invention

- Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)

- Detailed Description

- Claim(s)

- Abstract of the Disclosure

2. Drawing(s) (35 USC 113) Total Sheets

Oath or Declaration **Total Pages** 

a. M Unexecuted (original)

b. Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)) (for continuation/divisional with box 17 completed) [Note Box 4 below

DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)

Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, See 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b)

4. Incorporation By Reference (usable if Box 3b is checked) The entire disclosure of the prior application, which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 3b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

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Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)

6. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)

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a. Computer Readable Copy

Paper Copy (identical to computer copy)

Statement verifying identify of above copies

<b>ACCOMPANYING</b>	APPLICATION PAR	RTS

1.	L	Assignment Papers (cover sneet & document(s))
8.		37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement Power of Attorney
		(when there is an assignee)

English Translation Document (if applicable)

☐ Copies of IDS 10. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Citations

11. Preliminary Amendment

12. Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)

Small Entity Statement filed in prior

> application, Status still proper Statement and desired

 Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (If foreign priority is claimed)

15. Other:

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16. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment: Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application Continuation Divisional

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Prior application information: Examiner:

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			Basic Fee (37 CFR 1.16)				\$ 690.00			
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